EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

TRIBUTE TO LELAND FRANKLIN

HON. MIKE PENCE

OF INDIANA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Mr. PENCE. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor a dear friend and a giant in east central Indiana. Leland Franklin, the host of ''Anderson Live'' on WHBU, recently announced that he will leave the station and retire from an on-air career that spanned more than two decades. His voice, which was heard by so many, for so long, will be sorely missed on the airwaves.

I made it a point to check in with Leland on-air every couple of weeks and I will personally miss our conversations.

A graduate of Ball State University in 1987, Leland began his broadcasting career on a campus radio station and served as the announcer at East Lynn Christian Church in Anderson—and has been a constant presence in the Anderson community ever since. He served as WHBU's news director from 1996 to 1999 before becoming the program director for both WHBU and their sister station WERK.

Though Leland would describe his radio career as ''on and off'' over the last two decades, his professionalism and insight were second to none. I say that both as a caller and as a listener.

His father, Leland Franklin, Sr., often served as an on-air companion and was quick to offer his take on the pressing issues of the day. As Leland, Sr. will probably follow Leland, Jr. off the air, I will miss his presence as well.

Though Leland will no longer be on the air, he will still have significant influence on the airwaves of eastern Indiana.

After his final broadcast of ''Anderson Live'' on December 18, Leland will begin a new position at WQME, a contemporary Christian music station in Anderson.

And though we will undoubtedly miss his broadcasting talent at WHBU, I join my constituents in wishing Leland Franklin continued success in his future endeavors.

A TRIBUTE TO MICHAEL NORMAN HAYNES

HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Mr. TOWNS. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Michael Norman Haynes, a Brooklyn native.

Mr. Haynes earned his Bachelor's Degree in Mathematics from Northwestern University. He later began a career at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange, becoming the first African-American Senior Director of Clearing House Operations there.

Mr. Haynes, in 1990, shifted his career focus from supporting people's financial pursuits to supporting people coping with the HIV/AIDS pandemic. One of Mr. Haynes' proudest moments as Director of African American Services for Stop AIDS Chicago was when he provided HIV/AIDS prevention education for a Youth Summit at Operation PUSH.

Mr. Haynes continued his quest to serve by moving to Santa Fe to work for a workshop called The Experience that changed his life. This personal growth and empowerment workshop gave him new tools and refined what his tight-knit circle of support (family, extended family and friends) had taught him about ''being'' with people. Santa Fe is also where Mr. Haynes became infected with HIV.

While this might have sidetracked another, it only empowered Mr. Haynes' desire to give back even more. Currently, he works for the New York City Health and Hospitals Corporation as an Assistant Director in the Office of Behavioral Health. In this capacity, he has spearheaded innovations in chemical dependency treatment at eleven public hospitals, including Woodhull, Kings County, and Coney Island hospitals. Honored as a Join Together National Leadership Fellow by Boston University's School of Public Health, Mr. Haynes has championed the implementation of cutting edge, research-based practices that effectively led Brooklyn and city-wide residents through chemical dependency treatment and onto the road to recovery.

These contributions to the Brooklyn healthcare community over the past 13 years are evident but none more personal or visible than Haynes' face and prevention message on billboards, bus shelters, and subway stations throughout New York City and worldwide through the internet as part of the HIV Stops With Me campaign.

Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in recognizing Michael Norman Haynes.

CELEBRATING THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF SANDIA NATIONAL LABORATORIES

HON. JOHN GARAMENDI

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Mr. GARAMENDI. Madam Speaker, Representatives ANNA ESHOO, MIKE HONDA, BARBARA LEE, ZOE LOFGREN, JERRY MCNERNEY, GEORGE MILLER, JACKIE SPEIER, MIKE THOMPSON, LYNN WOOLSEY and I rise today to honor the 60th anniversary of Sandia National Laboratories. We ask all of our colleagues to join us in saluting the many outstanding achievements of Sandia during its distinguished history.

Rooted in pre-World War II history, Sandia was first established in New Mexico prior to the United States' engagement in the War, as part of the Los Alamos Laboratory. In 1949, Sandia Laboratory became an independent entity and in 1956, Sandia California was established in Livermore as a center for research and development. In the last 60 years, the lab has grown in importance and has invented and engineered innovations that have supported our national security. Today, Americans depend on Sandia's technology solutions to solve national and global threats to peace and freedom.

In 2001, federal authorities used a decontamination foam developed at Sandia to help rid Capitol Hill buildings of anthrax. The foam neutralizes chemical and biological agents in minutes, and is nontoxic and environmentally friendly.

The familiar walkthrough portals at many airport security checkpoints use Sandia-patented technology to screen airline passengers for explosives. Even trace amounts of explosives on an individual's skin or clothing can be collected and identified using the technology.

Sandia's Red Storm supercomputer can compute many tens of trillions' worth of calculations in a month, making it a popular tool for U.S. government agencies, universities, and customers worldwide. Red Storm has modeled the amount of explosive powder it would take to destroy an asteroid, how fire affects critical components in devices, and how changes in the composition of Earth's atmosphere affect climate.

A Sandia chemical monitoring system called SNIFFER has been keeping watch for the past several years over a number of large indoor and outdoor events: the Super Bowl, Rose Bowl, Oakland A's baseball games, and the 2008 Democratic National Convention. SNIFFER is able to detect and provide early warning of airborne chemical agents that might be used in a terrorist attack.

Since 1981, researchers at Sandia's Combustion Research Facility have developed ways to detect and measure chemical species in flames, reduce air pollution from engines and coal-powered utility plants, and characterize combustion taking place inside automobile and truck engines. They have revolutionized the current understanding of combustion and continue to work with industry to develop more efficient, cleaner-burning combustion processes and devices.

These are just a handful of examples of the innovation and ''flashes of genius'' that occur at Sandia on a regular basis. On behalf of my colleagues, I thank the employees at Sandia National Laboratories for their dedication and work and wish them many more years of continued success and innovation in an environment that will remain friendly to science, scientists and their supporters.

HONORING TERRY MEDINA

HON. SAM FARR

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, January 5, 2010

Mr. FARR. Madam Speaker, I rise today to honor Terry Medina, a great public servant